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It is easy to think of a thing after some one else mentions it.

The fellows who "done it" are very conspicuous in the various counties just now.

The Times says it is not a party organ. No, it is too small an instrument for that. It is nearer in the Jew's-harp class.

The most serious question for the Democrats now is, which is better, to try to patch up the old party or to make a new one.

The Wheeling Register has figured the Roosevelt majority in West Virginia up to 32,216. Our claims were not so "preposterous" after all.

Now that Missouri has gone Republican, Texas will be the next point of attack and by the time the canal has been opened, it will likely join the triumphal procession.

Since Roosevelt's majority in the State is 32,216, the ante-election claim by the Republicans that he would have from 30,000 to 35,000 majority was by no means idle talk.

It is believed that the Democrats of this county spent from \$75,000 to \$100,000 in the late campaign, the major part on election day. To pay so much and get so little in return is calculated to give the payees a tired feeling closely akin to actual dissolution.

The vote of the State as given by to-day's Wheeling Register shows a majority for Roosevelt of 32,216. It puts Dawson's majority at \$451. These latter figures do not correspond with those given out by Republican Chairman Elliott Northcott, who claims Dawson's election by almost 11,000.

No telegram of congratulation has been received by Douglass from Lydia E. Pinkham or George Wesley Atkinson.—Morgantown News Dominion.

Or William A. MacCorkle.—Wheeling Telegraph.

Or Henry Gassaway, Stuart W. Walker, John T. McGraw, Walter Barnes or Letcher Jones.

Congressman Dovenor's majority for re-election is almost eight thousand. Every year he goes in by an increased majority, which would indicate that he is properly appreciated by his home people.—Charleston Mail.

So much has been accomplished by him during his Congressional career in the matter of river improvements alone that he ought to be appreciated.

According to the Wheeling Register Capt. Dovenor's majority in this district is 6,803. The Register's figures are not official, and the probability is that when they so appear the popular Congressman's majority will be considerably more than 7,000. The First is the safest Congressional district in the State for the Republicans, being so strong as to drive all hope from the Democrats that they will ever be able to carry it. Wetzel is the only Democratic county in the district and the majority there is petering out so rapidly that it is likely to wholly disappear before the next election.

MR. DAVIS IS ALL RIGHT.

The Hon. Henry Gassaway Davis may have seemed a bit out of his class as a candidate for Vice President, but his energy, his good humor, rapidity and boyish buoyancy have given him a joyous place in the hearts of his countrymen.

It is a pleasure to know that he is not grumpy nor even discouraged. His brother, Col. Tom Davis, of Keyser, gives this bulletin of conditions in the Davis family:

"My boy, it was a clean sweep. The sweep was on the other side, though. No, I did not expect it. Who could have forecast it? They had too much money for us. Well, we did the best we could, and that is all that can be expected of any one.

"I have not seen my brother since the election, but feel sure the results will not endanger his health. He is a busy man and has plenty to do. No doubt he would like to have been elected. As it has turned out, however, we have nothing to apologize for."

Brother Tom is going to Pimlico races. Brother Henry is entirely capable of riding a "winner" there.

To the Good Old Boy of West Virginia, happy days and plenty of them!—New York Sun.

JUDGE PARKER'S SOLILOQUY.

(On going to New York to practice law.)

I call to mind when but a boy
 Upon my father's farm,
 I was my mother's pride and joy,
 And life was full of charm.

Both work and sport then had a place
 And I was blithe and gay;
 I looked the future in the face
 And longed to see the day

When I could stand among the men
 And fill my place right well—
 You know the hopes a boy of ten
 Has which he cannot tell.

Well, time moved on and I with it
 Till manhood's years came round;
 I saw myself moved up a bit
 And on a footing sound.

I knew my law books all by heart;
 Was skilled in politics;
 On any stage could play my part,
 And with the people mix.

'Twas then that my promotion came.
 The proudest of my life;
 I shared my honors and my fame
 With my dear loving wife.

For twenty years I held the place
 I got from Mr. Hill;
 And now the cruel world to face,
 Is quite a bitter pill.

I've quit my farm at fair Rosemount
 And started life anew;
 I'll never more my chickens count,
 Before the setting's through.

I had a cinch; oh, what a fool
 I was, I see it now,
 To let them make of me a tool;
 I ought to have to plow.

But now I'm here in New York town
 Without a single flaw;
 I've simply come to settle down
 As an attorney-at-law. M. C. L.

Unduly Perturbed.

Goldwin Smith, the venerable Toronto publicist who has taken an active and intelligent interest in American politics for more than half a century, takes a pessimistic view of present conditions in the United States because, he says, "jingoism reigns with its 'strenuous life,' its 'big stick,' its swaggering, boastful aggressiveness, its contempt of right." He fears that expansion will bring about the downfall of American institutions and the creation of an empire. "If you have an empire," he says, "you must have an emperor."

It is difficult to see why Dr. Smith should take this lugubrious view of the situation unless he has accepted as true all that has been said and printed by the anti-imperialists, who have been fighting a man of straw for nearly six years. The United States has its problems, it is true. Some of them are fraught with danger, and none of them can be disposed of offhand. But "imperialism" is not one of them. If Dr. Smith had watched the trend of American politics more closely during the last twenty years he would have noted a tendency on the part of large numbers of Americans to drift farther away from imperialism and toward that other form of despotism, the strengthening of the authority and enlargement of the functions of the State, the impersonal power supposed to be the popular will embodied in elective officers.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

LINCOLN AND ROOSEVELT.

Theodore Roosevelt is as striking an expression of American opportunity and inspiration as was Abraham Lincoln. Lowly birth and extreme poverty were as ineffectual against the rise of the one man to power and great usefulness as inherited wealth and high social connections were against the rise of the other. Character in its best estate told in both cases. The one man surmounted all the obstacles of his station and the other all the temptations of his. Hard work and lofty ideals explain the achievements of both.—Washington Star.

AMONG THE EDITORS.

It Needs the Money.

A gross income tax on railroads will increase the school fund to \$1,000,000. It should be passed by the next Legislature.—Wheeling News.

Cause For Rejoicing.

Glad that the Foraker-Dick-Herrick harmony falls flat. It would take away the last vestige of political interest in the Buckeye State.—Wheeling Telegraph.

Bryan's Tears Not Briny.

The kind of tears that Bryan shed over the defeat of Parker is not just what would be expected from a man who knows what it is to be beaten himself.—Parkersburg State Journal.

Good Boys!

It's all over now and the shouting is through with. Let us all get down to business and shoulder to shoulder push Clarksburg and Harrison county farther to the front. Look now to the onward march and make the next the busiest year we have ever experienced.—Clarksburg Telegram.

Has Kindest Wishes.

Judge Parker did not lose much time sulking or studying how it happened. He has already hung out his shingle as a lawyer in New York City. It is a good American trait, this thing of getting down to business without loss of time. A good many people did not vote for Judge Parker, but all of them wish him well in his new business venture.—Morgantown Chronicle.

Guilty Conscience, Etc.

The Preston Leader is evidently not aware of the fact that there is a Democratic newspaper published in Grafton called the Leader. When we very innocently asked the Grafton Leader how it likes its dish of crow the Republican Preston Leader flies all to pieces and nearly sprains its wind-pipe in croaking a lot of stuff that is of no earthly interest to the Sentinel or to Sentinel readers. What's wrong, brother?—Grafton Sentinel.

THE CROPS, TOO, ARE HELPFUL

The calamity prophets were as far astray in the crop forecasts as they were in their political predictions. So far from corn being below the 2,000,000,000 mark, as James J. Hill and other false prophets had foretold, it is far above that line. On the basis of the report as to acreage and condition made by the Department of Agriculture at Washington, the statistician of the New York Produce Exchange, an expert in this work, figures out a corn crop of 2,454,531,300 bushels for 1904, which breaks all the records except in 1902, when the yield was 2,523,648,312 bushels.

Many of the other great staple crops are also large. Cotton has gone so near the 12,000,000 bale mark as to break all records. The chances are that it has crossed that mark, but the speculators insist that it is below that line, so as to keep up prices. Wheat, hay, potatoes, oats, barley, buckwheat and most of the fruits have good yields. The aggregate cereal output of 1904 appears to be the largest in the country's history. From all over the agricultural regions of the Mississippi Valley and the Southern States the reports of plenty and prosperity are abundant. The harvests of 1904 reinforce the election returns in placing the American people in a mood to render fervent thanks on November 24 for the favors of Providence.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Creelman, the Democratic New York World's correspondent, says that Candidate Davis put \$130,000 into the West Virginia campaign alone. Others also made contributions.—Weston Independent.

They had an abundance of money without a doubt, but the returns show that it was used by unskilled hands—in a manner thrown away.

SOUTH AMERICAN ANTS.

The Most Dangerous and Troublesome Enemies of the Hunter.

"What are the most dangerous and troublesome beasts you ever encountered?" a famous big game hunter was asked, after he had finished telling a string of yarns about his adventures in South America.

"Ants," he replied. "They are far worse than bears, jaguars, alligators or any other beasts about whom hair raising stories are told. They give the hunter in tropical and subtropical countries more trouble than anything else."

"Once I rested my gun against a tree to take aim at a deer. There was an ant nest in that tree. As soon as I fired the ants tumbled out in swarms and fell all over my guide and myself."

"We were nearly stung to death and had to tear our clothes off and wallow up to our necks in the mud of a nearby swamp before we could get any relief."

"Another time I climbed a tree to wait for mountain lions. I did not notice that there was an ant nest in the trunk, for the ants were all indoors when I climbed up."

I shot a mountain lion and started to climb down, but the ants had been disturbed by the firing and they swarmed all around that tree trunk by millions. I had to slide over them, and I didn't forget it for a week."

ACADEMY OF BRAN.

A Celebrated Italian Literary Institution and Its Aims.

The Academy of Bran was the most celebrated of Italian literary academies, and its title was borrowed from a previous literary society at Perugia, the Accademia degli Scossi, or the Academy of the Well Shaken. The device of the earlier society was a sieve, and its motto "Il più bel fior ne coglie" (It collects the finest flour).

The principal object of the Bran society, the Accademia della Crusca, was the purification of the Italian language, in order to effect which, in the spirit of pedantry common to the age, it reintroduced many obsolete words which had been replaced by more effective derivative forms or foreign adaptations.

Its greatest work was the Vocabolario della Crusca, the Vocabulary of the Bran, published in 1613. The whole tone of this work was archaic. It affected to regard the fourteenth century as the Augustan age of Italian literature and endeavored to make the standard of that period a standard for all time. The Accademia della Crusca is now incorporated with two older societies, the Apollini, or Impartials, and the Florentine academy.

ANIMAL TAILS.

Some That Are Quite Useful as Well as Ornamental.

The tail, or more strictly speaking, the caudal fin of a fish, says Professor Seeley, "the great organ of motion," and among the mammalia we find several useful tails.

The most remarkable is, perhaps, that common to most American monkeys, which is as good as a fifth hand, owing to its prehensile powers. The yellow tailed howler, if it is shot when hanging by the tail, will remain suspended for some hours, so tight is the grip. Humboldt noted in South America how spider monkeys form themselves into clusters by means of their limbs and tails, the whole group being suspended from a bough by the tail of the strongest.

The long, thick tail of the kangaroo, which serves as a balance against the heavy hind quarters, especially when the animal leans forward to browse, and also aids in supporting it when in its characteristic upright position, is also a most valuable appendage.

Senator Vest's Pledge.

Just before his first election to the United States senate the late Senator Vest went to a caucus of Missourians who were members of the general assembly. Following a competitor who had talked three mortal hours, Vest spoke for three minutes, concluding with these words: "As for myself, I have to say, with the full knowledge that the pledge I now make will influence your votes tomorrow, that if I am elected to the United States senate during my entire term I shall draw my pay regularly like a gentleman and spend it like a thoroughbred." He was elected and served the state for twenty-four years.—Kansas City Star.

Peaceful, but Dull.

An Englishwoman with a serviceable sense of humor was she who is mentioned in a recent English book as having aided her husband in fighting "a good fight." The two were found one day, in their old age, by a caller, sitting one on each side of the fire, and the old man said proudly:

"Well, 't' missis and me, we've been married high on fifty year and we've never had one quarrel."

The old woman looked up at the visitor with a twinkle in her eye.

"It war varie conscientious," said she, "but varie dool."

Wanted No Reminders of His Past. "In my plans for your new home," says the architect, "I have provided for a large, ornate frieze in the hall."

"Don't want it," asserts Mr. Conjeeled.

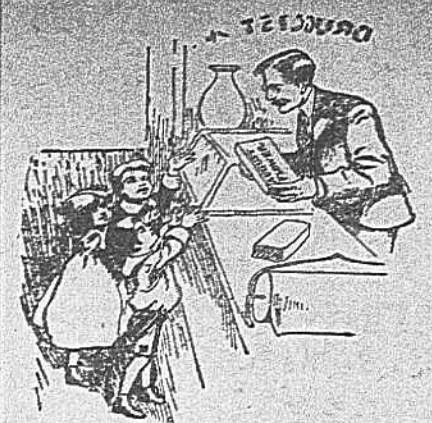
"What?"

"Not a bit of it. Can't take any chances on having any one being reminded that I used to drive an ice wagon."—Judge.

Gratitude is the fairest blossom which springs from the soul, and the heart of man knoweth none more fragrant.—Ballou.

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UNCONSCIOUS

WAS JOHN W. BARKEY, LYING ON A BOX CAR, WHEN NO. 97 REACHED TOWN LAST NIGHT.

When the first section of train No. 97 reached this city about 10 o'clock last night John W. Barkey, a brakeman of McMechen, was found lying on a box car in an unconscious condition, caused presumably by his head coming in contact with some structure, and railroad men believe the low bridge at Valley Falls to be the one, as none other between this city and Grafton could possibly strike a man standing on the highest car.

The conductor came over the train when the stop was made at the station and missing his front brakeman instituted a search for him. On the top of a high box car he was found in an unconscious condition, and a horrible gash in the head explained his absence from duties. The ambulance from the Miners' Hospital was summoned and the injured man taken to that institution, where he is now, with chances in his favor for recovery. The strange part of the accident is how his body remained on the car instead of rolling off, as is usually the case in such instances.

VIRTUE IN THE "IF."

We are all now able to see the utter baselessness of the rumor that Mr. Parker was going to make the Hon. D. B. Hill Secretary of State.—Newark News.

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